

What is the Goal of the August Group Exercise?

The goal of the August exercise is to identify and prioritize desired community amenities and transportation improvements using the composite alternative plans that resulted from the Group Exercise on June 23, 2004.

Group Exercise Instructions

There will be four tables set up in the room, with 5 to 6 Task Force members at each table. The groups will be comprised of the same participants as at the June 23rd meeting. A trained Facilitator from City Planning is assigned to each table, and is responsible for guiding the discussion and ensuring that everyone has a chance to speak and share ideas. The exercise will last 60 minutes.

Based on the resulting composite plans from the June 23rd exercise and the resulting total benefit contribution, each group needs to:

1. Subtract assumed base transportation improvements (\$104 million) to calculate available funding for other transportation improvements and community amenities.
2. Identify the transportation and community amenities that can be funded with the available funding, prioritizing each category of improvements.

A volunteer from each group should record the group's discussion and report back to the larger group at the end of the exercise.

Group Presentation

At the end of the exercise, the Recorder from each group will report back to the entire Task Force summarizing the results of the exercise for their table. After each group presents their alternative(s), the Task Force will discuss the results.

Materials Provided

Each table will have the following materials to assist the group members in meeting the goal for the exercise:

1. Land Use
 - a. Worksheets with Land Use Data and Potential Benefit Contribution
2. Transportation
 - a. Transportation Improvements List with Estimated Costs
 - b. Description of Transportation Improvements
3. Amenities
 - a. Community Amenities List with Estimated Costs
4. Guiding Principles

Rules to Remember

The Task Force established the following meeting ground rules in September 2003. Please keep these rules in mind during the group exercise and subsequent presentation and discussion.

1. Start and end on time.
2. Everyone participates.
3. Be open.
4. Listen actively.
5. Help the group achieve desired outcomes.
6. Stay focused on the topic.
7. Raise any issues of concern.
8. Abide by Guiding Principles.
9. Keep the outcomes of the process in mind:
 - a. Shaping the vision for the future of Evergreen
 - b. Determining an "Ideal Evergreen" in terms of new land use opportunities, community amenities, transportation improvements
 - c. Completing a revised traffic policy and establishing a financing mechanism to implement the vision
10. No put downs.